

DeVenCI Selects Venture Capital Consultants

The Defense Venture Catalyst Initiative (DeVenCI) has announced its selection of eleven venture capitalists to serve as independent emerging technology consultants for the Department of Defense (DoD). The selection followed an open solicitation for applicants that closed on October 31, 2006.

These eleven individuals, who represent a cross section of prestigious venture capital investment firms, have agreed to volunteer their time and energy to help the DoD identify innovative private sector companies with emerging technologies relevant to DoD needs in research, development and acquisition. Companies identified by the consultants typically will have little familiarity with the DoD acquisition process, and usually will be unfamiliar to DoD researchers, developers, and acquisition personnel.

The selected consultants are:

- Mr. Tom Banahan (Lehman Brothers Venture Partners)
- Dr. James Barrett (New Enterprise Associates)
- Mr. Kevin Fong (Mayfield Fund)
- Mr. Wilber James (RockPort Capital Partners)
- Mr. Mark Kvamme (Sequoia Capital)
- Mr. Jeb Miller (ComVentures)
- Mr. Roger Novak (Novak Biddle Venture Partners)
- Mr. Don Rainey (Intersouth Partners)
- Mr. Morgan Rodd (Arrowpath Venture Partners)
- Mr. Ted Schlein (Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers)
- Mr. Robert Simon (Alta Partners)